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## EXAMINE YOUR DATES.

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## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Altamont Mosses—Farmers.  
Nauz & Neuner—Fruit to all.  
H. A. Hart—Notice to Trespassers.  
Jas. Vick—Seeds, Plants and Bulbs.  
Jas. S. Folk, Supervisor—Registration Notice.  
C. L. Hoyt & Bro.—Gold and Silver Watches, Jewelry, &c.

## Personal.

Mrs. Irene Pierson has gone on a visit to friends in Jessup, Ga.  
Mrs. Fagan (formerly Miss Maggie Harvey) is in Sumter on a visit.  
Mr. Tom Mikkell, of Edisto, was in Sumter on last Sunday.  
Mrs. C. W. Hewitt, of Darlington, is in Sumter on a visit to relatives.  
Col. T. T. Walsh attended the Black River Union held in Manning last week.  
Mr. John McQueen, now of Williamsburg County, has been in Sumter on a visit.  
Mr. J. W. Bradwell, of Summerville, son of Mr. R. S. Bradwell, of our city, is in Sumter on a visit.

After a visit of unalloyed pleasure to Darlington County, Miss Annie Higdon has returned home.  
Mr. Jacob Rytzenberg left Sumter on last Saturday night for Winston, N. C., where he has gone on business.

Judge T. B. Fraser left Sumter on last Saturday for Georgetown. Court convened there on last Monday morning.

Miss Addie Brennan, who has been in Charleston on a visit to the family of Mr. L. Arthur O'Neil, has returned home.  
Miss Helen Wolfram, of Columbia, and Annie Sikes, of Ridgeway, are in Sumter visiting the family of Mr. W. H. Epperson.  
Mr. W. D. Boggs and Mr. W. B. Bowman have formed a partnership for the purpose of doing a general brokerage business in Sumter.

Mr. Walter G. Stubbs has rented the residence formerly occupied by Mrs. M. F. Tate and family, and has moved his sisters to Sumter.

We are sorry to announce that the health of our esteemed friend Mr. F. Hulton Folsom is not as good as his many friends would like it to be.

Miss Lelia Edwards and Miss Mary Watson, who left Sumter some time ago to visit friends in Bennettsville, have returned to Sumter.

Meers, Herrmann and Francis Bultman, of this place, and Mr. Horton Rigby, of Manning, have gone to Baltimore to attend the Business College.

Miss Annie Richardson, of Paola, one of Clarendon's most charming and fascinating daughters was in Sumter last week on a visit to Miss Marion Kershaw.

Cards are out for the marriage of Mr. W. H. Haynsworth, of the firm of Haynsworth & Co., to Miss Annie Stubbs, of Hagood, S. C., on Feb. 14th next.—*Marion Chronicle*.

Mr. Shirley Hughes is studying law under Katie & Purdy. If our young friend becomes as good a lawyer as he is a reporter, he will certainly be an ornament to the Bar of the State.

Mr. Lucius Baitman, travelling salesman for the well-known shoe house of Frank & Adler, of Baltimore, has returned to his house where he will remain for several months.

Mr. Harvin DesChamps has been employed by Col. James D. Graham to assist him during the summer of business in the Clerk's office.

Mr. N. P. Lenoir has also been employed for the same purpose.

Mr. L. S. Carson was in town last week. Mr. Carson is an able and efficient instructor, and the admirable manner in which he has conducted the High School at St. Luke has completely won the hearts of his patrons.

Mr. William O'Donnell is in Sumter on a visit to his brother, Mr. Neil O'Donnell. For several years past Mr. O'Donnell has been at the Seminary at Baltimore preparing himself for the priesthood, and is at present enjoying a short vacation with his genial and affable brother.

We were pleased to meet a few days ago Mr. Jas. M. Sloan, formerly a resident of this County, who is here on a business and pleasure trip after an absence of 22 years. He is now in the Concord neighborhood just after the war and settled in Georgia, where, we are glad to learn, he has had good fortune. He is at present selling a valuable agricultural implement called the Ma's Stalk Chopper.

N. G. Osteen has moved into his new house. Mr. L. S. Carson has recently purchased two fine lots, one on Calhoun Street and the other on Harby Avenue.

The fumes of the fertilizers can now be smelt upon the highway and in the byway—bad cold or no bad cold.

Many concur in the opinion that a true picture of Texas life was contained in Mr. W. W. Rorer's letter, which was published in the *Watchman and Southern* last week.

Col. John S. Richardson and his son, Mr. John S. Richardson, Jr., have bought two eligible lots on Harby Avenue, on which they intend to build something in the near future.

There was a total eclipse of the moon on last Saturday evening. The night was clear and beautiful, and the scene presented to the eye was lovely indeed. The phenomenon caused some little apprehension among the negroes.

Dr. Briggs, of Clarendon County, met with quite an accident on last Friday afternoon in the death of his fine buggy horse. He was on his way to Sumter and had almost reached our city when his horse suddenly dropped dead in the road.

**A Runaway.**  
The mule attached to the buggy in which Mr. and Mrs. Wadford were being conveyed home on last Sunday afternoon, became frightened at something and dashed down Main Street at break neck speed. The buggy was upset in front of Mr. B. R. Nash's residence and Mrs. Wadford had the misfortune to have her arm broken.

**The Boston Star Company.**  
The Boston Star Company completely won the hearts of the Sumter people. Their performance last evening in Music Hall was an elegant and refined entertainment in every sense of the word. Such exhibitions of culture and delicate refinement have undoubtedly an elevating influence upon all who witness them. The most religious person in the world could not object to such an entertainment as the one given by this troupe on last evening as the better elements in human nature were aroused and made better under its soft influences.

**An Outrage.**  
On last Saturday night a part of the brick fence in front of Mrs. O. C. Hulbert's residence on Main street was knocked down by unknown parties. A similar offense was perpetrated upon this property of Mrs. Hulbert on Christmas Eve, and we have been informed that this outrage has been committed on two different occasions before this. Mrs. Hulbert has been kept to a good deal of expense to repair the damage done to her fence on those different occasions, and it is a pity that something is not done to catch up with persons who are guilty of such lawless acts.

**Black River Union.**  
The churches comprising the Black River Union met at the Baptist church in Manning, Friday, the 27th January, Rev. H. W. Mahoney, Moderator, and Rev. C. C. Brown, Clerk. Rev. C. C. Brown preached to a large audience at 11.30 a. m. on Sunday.

A committee was appointed to provide for the effectual working of colportage. It was also found that sufficient funds were on hand to settle with the colporter, leaving a small surplus for the next year's work.

The Union adjourned to meet with Calvary church, Friday before the 5th Sunday in April. Rev. T. J. Roake, preaching the sermon, and Rev. C. C. Brown the charity sermon.—*Manning Times*

## Death.

James Robert, about 16 years old, son of Mr. Robert J. Geddings, of Manchester Township, died on 18th inst., of dropsy.

It is with regret, says the *Waterloo Messenger* of Jan. 31st, we chronicle the death of Mr. G. M. Mathis, Sr., which occurred Sunday night at his residence on the corner of Fair and King streets. Mr. Mathis resided in Camden for a number of years, and reared a large family here. He lived to see several of his children laid away in the silent tomb, and now, the head of this large and interesting family has been called away by death. Mr. Mathis was a native of Sumter county, and was about 63 years of age at the time of his death.

## Married.

On January 25th, at the residence of the bride's father, by Rev. Cutting Smith, Mr. Everett Alexander, and Miss Mary H. Mayes, eldest daughter of Mr. Thos. Mayes, all of Mayesville, S. C.

## The Orange Blossoms.

The Chapel of St. Joseph's Academy never looked lovelier than it did this morning. It was beautifully decorated with choice flowers, and fitting emblems proclaimed the nature of the event soon to be solemnized at the Altar of the beautiful little Chapel.

Promptly at seven o'clock Mr. E. I. Reardon and Miss Jimmie Brennan, the attendant, led the way up the aisle, and stood a little to the left of the Altar. Soon followed the groom and bride, Mr. J. D. Sykes, of Ridgeway, and Miss Eddie Epperson, of Sumter, who were married by Father McNeill in his usual impressive and eloquent manner.

The bride was attired in a lovely sage green satin most elaborately trimmed with lace, and her appearance was most charming indeed. The bridesmaid, Miss Jimmie Brennan, wore an exquisite and beautiful dress of rose satin dress which was artistically trimmed with lace.

The bridal party left Sumter for Columbia on the 9:45 train.

## Successful Florists.

We call the attention of our readers to the advertisement of the old established florists, Nauz & Neuner, Louisville, Ky., in another column of our paper. Send your address for their free illustrated catalogue.

## The Princess Snowflake.

Or Beyond the Icebergs, will be presented at Music Hall on tomorrow evening (Thursday, 2nd inst.) by the T. K. A. Society of the Electric College. Admission 25 cents, for the benefit of the Society Library. We bespeak for this entertainment the liberal patronage that its objects deserves.

## The Home Library Association.

The object of this Association is to furnish to its members all standard publications at wholesale prices, which among the booksellers is not so good as his many friends would like it to be. The Association now has over 200,000 members, and the headquarters is in Baltimore, No. 111 Charles Street. Mr. Wm. Conard, traveling agent, will call upon the citizens of this vicinity for the purpose of explaining the workings of the Association and securing members, and they can be prepared to look into the plan.

## The Luckiest Preacher in the State.

Rev. J. O. Chandler of the South Carolina Conference, has reason to be the happiest man in all South Carolina. His marriage last Thursday evening to one of Abbeville's fairest ladies, Miss Julia Zeigler, was the chief social event of the week, though the invited guests were few in number. Her natural endowment, her education, her religious convictions, and her love for church work preeminently fit her for the highest position on earth—a preacher's wife.—*Press and Banner Jan. 11th.*

## Manning Times, Feb. 1.

There is a rumor that there have recently been two attempts to commit suicide in Sumter. It is said that in one case a stomach pump was freely used.

There is a rumor that last Friday Mr. John J. Bryant, of the Packville, section, had a difficulty with one of his sons and shot him in the groin with bird shot, wounding him painfully but not seriously. We have been unable to get the particulars of the case.

The mill-rick of Major C. S. Land's mill, on Santee, about fourteen miles from Manning, exploded last Friday. The force of the explosion threw a piece of wood-casting against the head of a son of York Mack, colored, who was attending to the mill at the time, and stunned him for some time, but he was not fatally hurt. The explosion of a mill rick is an unusual occurrence.

## Chautauqua.

The next meeting of the C. L. S. C. will be held at Institute Hall, on Thursday evening, February 8th, at 8 o'clock. The following will be the order of exercises:

Roll-call—Quotations from any Southern poet.  
Selected readings from authors already discussed, as follows: Longfellow, Maj. H. F. Wilson; Randall, Dr. J. S. Hughes; Simms, Miss Sue Corbett; Hayne, Mr. D. Bland; Timrod, Miss J. Wilson; Irving, Mr. A. C. McIntosh; Mark Twain, Mr. T. B. Fraser; Harris, (Uncle Remus), Rev. N. W. Edmunds; Ryan, Mrs. Yates.

Table Talk—Slang.  
Music, by Mrs. Fraser, Miss Lizzie Corbett and Mrs. G. W. Dick. Chorus by the young ladies of the Institute.

Cannot Imitate but Congratulate.  
The police of the town are to be provided with uniforms by order of the town council. This is a good idea. The uniforms will be very handsome; they are to be of blue broadcloth, and the coats will be double-breasted.—*Darlington News*

A similar provision ought to be made for the police of Sumter by our town council. A well uniformed police force speaks well for a town. It is evidence of importance and prosperity. It creates a favorable impression on the world at large, and it has its weight in suggesting the idea of the eligibility of the town as a place of residence. There is no doubt about it that it is a good advertisement for a town. Darlington is a town and appreciates all of this from a business point of view. She means to go forward and not backward. We can congratulate Darlington even if we cannot imitate her.

## A Fine Quality of Cotton.

Mr. P. P. Chambers, of Dorcas, sold to Messrs. Talley & Woods, on Monday last, ten bales of the Allen Long Staple cotton at 11 1/4 cents a pound. The staple of this cotton is beautiful.—*Darlington News*

It is stated and confirmed upon the authority of the largest and oldest cotton buyers in the United States that the Allen Long Staple cotton is the finest and most valuable of upland cotton known in the market. The line of this cotton is of the finest texture, and on that account it will always sell for a big price. Last year Mr. A. S. Brown made nineteen bales of this cotton and the samples of each were so fine and beautiful that cotton buyers, both in the Southern and Northern markets, have offered him from 12 to 13 to 14 cents a pound for the lot.

Mr. Brown says that the big advantage gained in planting the Allen Long Staple cotton seed is the great number of well fruited bolls on each stalk of the same. He says that he has made a fair test of the merits of the Allen Long Staple cotton seed and that he can produce fact and figures to show how much he has realized by the investment in the same last year.

## Must be in the Picture.

Great improvements have recently been made in the Armory of the Sumter Light Infantry. Several handsome cabinets, in which the guns and uniforms of the Company are kept, have been purchased and placed in proper position in Armory Hall. The meeting-room, where all business matters are transacted, and also, where guests are received, has been very comfortably furnished with a carpet, chairs, chandelier, etc. We congratulate Capt. Wilson and the other excellent officers of the S. L. I. for their successful management of the financial affairs of the Company, and we note this improvement with much pleasure, as the S. L. I. have been in need of a first-class armory, and as this long-felt need has been accomplished, we know that the next result looked forward to by the S. L. I. will be their trip off this Summer, with the rest of the volunteer troops in the State, who are now making the necessary preliminaries for the Encampment. We hope this matter will be brought up and a definite understanding reached on the subject at the next Company meeting which will be on the second Tuesday evening of this month. The S. L. I. are a handsome body of men and they must be in the picture this Summer.

## A. F. M.

MATSVILLE, S. C., Jan. 31, 1888.

The following officers were duly installed on the 29th inst., as officers for the ensuing year, of Salem Lodge No. 141, A. F. M.:  
R. W. J. H. Wilson, Master.  
Bro. E. M. Cooper, (P. M.) S. W.  
Bro. J. H. Garland, J. W.  
Bro. J. E. Graham, Treasurer.  
Bro. H. Dickson Corbett, (P. M.) Secretary.  
Bro. J. W. Hudson, S. D.  
Bro. W. K. Wells, J. D.  
Bro. S. M. Graham, Bro. R. C. Mayes, Swards.  
Bro. J. B. Trimal, Tyler.

## K. of H.

MATSVILLE, S. C., Jan. 31, 1888.

The following officers were installed this day, in Mayesville Lodge, No. 2495, K. of H., to serve for the coming term:  
Past Dictator—H. Dickson Corbett.  
Dictator—Francis J. Mayes.  
Vice Dictator—J. Harvey Wilson.  
Assistant Dictator—Sam'l M. Graham.  
Reporter—H. D. Corbett.  
Financial Reporter—Charles O. Wheeler.  
Treasurer—Joseph E. Barnett.  
Chaplain—H. Wilson Bradley.  
Guide—James E. Atkins.  
Guardian—B. M. Powell.  
Sentinel—Joseph B. Trimal.  
Delegate to Grand Lodge—H. Dickson Corbett.  
Alternate—J. E. Barnett.  
Trustees—E. M. Cooper, H. W. Bradley, S. M. Graham.

A Baltimore negro who emigrated to Liberia years ago, ordered a quantity of Dr. Ball's Cough Syrup stating that he didn't like to be without it.

J. E. Meeds, U. S. L. H. Keeper, Fort Carroll, Md., says:—"Salvation Oil cured me of rheumatism."

## P. T. Barnum's Own Gift.

Mr. P. T. Barnum, the famous showman, from the fact that his great story "My Plucky Boy Tom" has proved such an immense success in the New York Family Story Paper, has determined to present to all subscribers to that paper, while his story lasts, a beautiful souvenir in the shape of a Portfolio. This Portfolio contains illustrations of all the wild animals that will appear in his show the coming season. The New York Family Story Paper for four months and "Barnum's Portfolio," as this beautiful souvenir is called, will be sent to any address for the small sum of \$1.00 the regular price of the paper. This is certainly an opportunity which our readers should take advantage of. Address, Mucro's Publishing House, 24 & 26 Vandewater Street, New York.

## Electric Bitters.

This remedy is becoming so well known, and so popular as to need no special mention. All who have used Electric Bitters sing the same song of praise. A pure medicine does not exist and it is guaranteed to do all that is claimed. Electric Bitters will cure all diseases of the liver and kidneys, will remove pimples, boils, salt rheum and other affections caused by impure blood. Will drive Malaria from the system and prevent as well as cure all malarial fevers. For cure of headache, constipation and indigestion try Electric Bitters—entire satisfaction guaranteed, or money refunded. Price 50 cents and \$1 per bottle at J. F. W. DeLorme's drug store.

## Is Consumption Incurable?

Read the following: Mr. C. H. Morris, Newark, Ark., says: "Was down with Abscess of Lungs, and friends and physicians pronounced me an incurable consumptive. Began taking Dr. King's New Discovery for consumption, am now on my third bottle, and able to oversee the work on my farm. It is the finest medicine ever made." Jesse Middlewast, Decatur, Ohio, says: "Had it not been for Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption I would have died of lung troubles. Was given up by doctors. Am now in the best of health." Try it. Sample bottles free at J. F. W. DeLorme's drug store.

## Bucklen's Arnica Salve.

The Best Salve in the world for Cuts, Bruises, Sores, Ulcers, Salt Rheum, Fever Sores, Tetter, Chapped Hands, Chilblains, Corns and all Skin Eruptions, and positively cures Piles, or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction, or money refunded. Price 25 cents per box. For sale by J. F. W. DeLorme.



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January 25, 1888.



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In order to clear out my Winter Stock and make room for a very handsome Spring Stock now being manufactured for me,

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REGARDLESS OF PROFIT,

My Entire Winter Stock of

**CLOTHING,**  
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GEORGIA AND NORTH CAROLINA

**JEANS, KERSEYS AND CASSIMERES,**

Together with a fine Line of

Undershirts---All Wool and Mixed,

**RED MEDICATED FLANNELS,**

**Heavy Canton Flannel Drawers, &c.**

Don't Fail to get these Bargains.

**D. J. WINN.**

Sumter, S. C., Jan. 25.

## SHERIFF'S SALES.

By virtue of Sundry Executions, to me directed, will be sold at Sumter, S. C., on the first MONDAY and day following in FEBRUARY next, 1888, and as many days thereafter as may be necessary, within the legal hours of sale, to the highest bidder, for cash, the following property:

All that tract of land containing 400 acres more or less, lying on Black River, and adjoining now, or formerly of Estate of G. W. Cooper, Estate of Absalom Wilson, lands of Prescott Reid Corbett and others, the said land being the balance of above described tract after deducting 100 acres, laid off to Defendant for a family Homestead, levied on and to be sold as the property of J. Harrington Cooper to satisfy the separate executions of Augustus A. Solomons and Belle Taylor, now Belle Black, against said J. Harrington Cooper.

One small Sorrel Mare and Colt, two Black Horse Males, 200 bushels Corn more or less, 2000 pounds of Fodder more or less, 4 bales of Cotton, 1 two-horse wagon and 400 bushels Cotton Seed more or less, levied upon as the property of W. N. Hammett, on execution of the Bowke Fertilizer Co. against Mary P. Clark and W. N. Hammett.

One chestnut sorrel Horse, one Bull, one Cow, one Colt, one Buggy, 75 bushels Cotton Seed, 8 bushels of Peas, 40 bushels of Corn, more or less, and all House Furniture, levied on and to be sold as the property of Edward H. Mathis, at the suit of McKinney & Duran, against the said Edward H. Mathis.

MARION SANDERS, S. S. C.

Sheriff's Office, Jan. 9, 1888.

## HOLIDAY GOODS

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## ROCK BOTTOM PRICES.

WE ARE NOW OFFERING A LARGE LINE OF

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CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS.

In buying you will

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Salmon, 15 and 20 cts. per can.

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In connection with our Grocery Stock, we handle a full line of

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Whips, Whips, Whips.

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Dec. 14

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Producing Long-Sightedness, and Restoring the Sight of the Old.

**CURES TEAR DROPS, GRANULATION,**

Stye Tumors, Red Eyes, Matted Eye Lashes, and producing quick Relief and Permanent Cure.

Also equally efficacious when used in other maladies, such as Ulcers, Fever Sores, Tumors, Salt Rheum, Burns, Piles, or wherever inflammation exists, Mitchell's salve may be used to advantage. Sold by all Druggists at 25 cents.

**Estate of John B. Johnston,**